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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: DeLucia et al.) Examiner: Kuo Liang Peng
Serial No: 10/724,654) Art Unit: 1712
Filed: December 1, 2003) Confirmation No: 2326
Title: Method of Thermally Processing Elastomeric Compositions and Elastomeric) Deposit Account: 04-1403
Compositions with Improved Processability	Customer No: 22827

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a response/<u>amendment</u>/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 14, 2007, please amend the abovecaptioned applications as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on p. 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on p. 8 of this paper.